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TWENTY-SECOND YEAR.

A HOT FIGHT

Being Made by Col. Hughes at Ft. Scott,

For Grand Master Workman of A. O. U. W.

BREIDENTHAL THERE.

Populists and Republicans Engaged in the Struggle.

Conservative Men Want to Keep Out Politics.

Fr. 20.—About 1,000 delegates to the grand lodge, A. O. U. W., are here today. It is the largest meeting of the order held in the state. There is unusual interest manifested in the election of officers.

The leading candidates for grand master are Col. J. W. F. Hughes of Topeka and Ed Wheeler of Colony. Hughes is opposed by State Bank Examiner Breidenthal, who is leading Wheeler's strength.

Col. Hughes has opened headquarters at the principal hotel and the fight for his election is being waged like a political warfare. Unless something is done to bring out a third man it is feared the fight over Col. Hughes will result in a big split in the order. The conservative members who joined the order to get the \$2,000 life benefit for their families at their death are anxious that a third man shall be elected.

The Topeka delegation arrived last night in a special car, but they are not doing much talking for Col. Hughes. The Topeka crowd are anxious that L. A. Beck, the present grand treasurer, shall be re-elected, so that the funds of the order may be kept in Topeka banks which are considered among the safest financial institutions in the west.

Dr. J. R. Hinzen, of Topeka, who is fitting the office of Grand Medical examiner, by appointment, is a candidate for that office and the Topeka delegation will consent to vote for an outside man for grand master workman, if Beck and Hinzen can't be elected.

BLIZZARD IN THE SOUTH.

It cuts off the Early Fruit Crop in the Northern Section.

St. Louis, Feb. 26.—A special to the Republic from Birmingham, Ala., says: The worst blizzard in a decade has prevailed throughout Alabama for two days, rain, sleet and snow falling in succession.

It has passed all over the northern portion of the state Monday today and as the result, the early fruit crop is believed to be cut short 50 per cent, as the fruit trees were in full bloom when the blizzard came. There is much suffering among the poor.

Snow at Louisville.

Louisville, Ky., Feb. 26.—Louisville experienced the heaviest snow storm of the season yesterday. Snow began falling at an early hour and continued throughout the day without cessation. At midnight the storm exhausted itself and between eight and ten inches of snow had fallen.

Eighteen inches of snow.

Pensacola, Fla., Feb. 26.—Eighteen inches of snow fell here since yesterday morning and it is still snowing. It is the greatest snow fall since 1884. Business is at a standstill, railroad and highway travel greatly impeded. Fears are entertained of a repetition of the great flood of ten years ago.

CONTAGIOUS CONSUMPTION

Dr. Amick Does Not Regard It in That Light.

New York, Feb. 26.—The sanitary superintendent was ordered yesterday to enforce rigid regulations concerning consumption. To prepare to isolate them in one hospital, to see that all doctors and institutions report to the health department such patients, and to require landlords to immediately disinfect rooms having been vacated by consumptives. Many doctors interviewed favor thus treating consumption like small-pox, but converts to the Amick theory that lung troubles are not contagious and are curable are increasing.

An Amick depository was established here last week to supply free test medicines proving his theory to New York physicians, and those living in other states can send to Cincinnati, where the discovery lies. Even the medical journal edited by the president of the board of health said recently that the success of the Cincinnati treatment proved consumption is curable, and the isolation of its victims will be vigorously fought.

ARTZ PRODUCED THE MONEY

He Had \$400 in a Box in the State Treasurer's Vault.

At noon today Adjutant General Artz, in the presence of witnesses, produced from a box in the vault the much talked of package of money which he claimed at the outset of his trouble he put in the hands of the treasurer for safe keeping. He counted the money in the presence of his friends and the total amount was \$400, being considerably more than the sum he owes the state. He says his object in drawing it on June 30, was because that was the end of the fiscal year, and he wanted to make all balances due his department available for the current year.

WANT A REFERENDUM.

Iowa Legislature Proposes a Vote on the Tariff Question.

Des Moines, Iowa, Feb. 26.—In the house today Representative Davis introduced a resolution asking a postponement of the final vote on the Wilson bill in congress till after the next election to give the people of the United States a chance to vote on the question. The resolution was adopted by a party vote.

WHO WILL SUCCEED ARTZ?

Already Several Candidates Who Want to Like to be Marched by Lightning.

Governor Lewelling is expected to appoint a successor to Adjutant General Artz tomorrow when he returns from his home at Wichita where he went to spend Sunday.

Among the names mentioned in connection with the appointment of adjutant general are Charles A. Taylor, now a colonel on the governor's staff, and holding the job of assistant superintendent of insurance; Major A. J. Davis, now assistant adjutant general and Bulgarian General W. H. Scott of Lawrence.

A movement was started today in which Assistant Secretary of State D. C. Zercher is one of the leaders to have the governor abolish the office of adjutant general and assign the duties of that official to his executive clerk, as was done prior to the passage of a special law creating the office of adjutant general in 1885.

Mr. Zercher says if the governor would refuse to appoint a successor to Col. Artz, and retain one of the clerks of the adjutant general's office making the signing of the voucher of the adjutant general one of the duties of his executive clerk, it would not only be a great saving to the state but would be in line with the policy of the People's party.

The only objection offered to this procedure is that the executive clerk now has all the duties he can perform, and the law of PSD would have to be repealed before the office of adjutant general could be abolished.

WIMAN SAYS "NOT GUILTY."

He Comes Into Court This Morning and Is Released on Bail.

New York, Feb. 26.—Eraustus Wiman pleaded "not guilty" this morning in the court of general sessions. When brought to the bar, Mr. Wiman appeared a trifle pale, but cool and collected and as soon as his plea had been made, Judge Martin ordered his release continuing his original bail. It is said that he would not take advantage of the treaty, 1812, between the United States and Canada, which permits six of Mr. Wiman's countrymen to be on the jury that is to decide his fate.

M'KANE GOES TO SING SING

Pending an Appeal to the General Term Settled Today.

BROOKLYN, N. Y., Feb. 26.—Judge Culkin denied the application of John Y. McKane for a certificate of reasonable doubt.

Justice Culkin's decision vacates the stay of execution and McKane, pending an appeal to the general term must go to Sing Sing.

GORDON BENNETT AT PLAY

He Organizes a Yacht Race From Niagara Falls to Ontario.

Moore's Castle, Feb. 26.—Five steam yachts started at 10 o'clock last night from the harbor of Niagara for a race to Geneva, a distance of eighty miles.

James Gordon Bennett was the organizer of the race. The yachts competing are Mr. Bennett's Niagara, Prince Leopold's Regatta, Baron Arthur Rothschild's Eyes, and the Fairplay and Eyes, which belong respectively to Haskins and Sabastopol.

A great crowd assembled to see the start. Each yacht carries a number of guests in addition to its owner.

ELECTROCUTED.

Matthew Johnson Legally Killed for the Murder of Emil Kuhnen.

Song Sing, Feb. 26.—Matthew Johnson was electrocuted at 11:34 o'clock this morning for the murder of Emil Kuhnen.

The crime for which he suffered the death penalty was committed on the night of December 9, 1892.

About 6 o'clock on the morning on that day Johnson, who is a West Indian negro, entered Thomas C. Wyllie's lithographing establishment in this city with the intention of committing a burglary. He hid in a stall until the place was closed up for the night. He then went through the building and finally went down to the cellar, where he met Emil Kuhnen, the engineer. Fearing that he would be arrested, he struck Kuhnen several blows on the head with an iron bar, killing him in a few minutes. He then robbed the body of his victim.

Last week he made a confession of his guilt in the presence of Warden Durston, Rev. Daniel Welsh, and some other prison officials.

POSTPONED.

Meeting of the City Council Tonight—North Side Councilman.

There will not be a meeting of the city council tonight, as stated on another page, as City Engineer Kingman is not able to complete the estimates for the electric light station, and that was the most important business to be considered at the meeting.

It was said to-day that Mayor Harrison would appoint Thomas Page councilman to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Councillman Troutman of the First Ward, but it is known that Mr. Page would under no circumstances accept the position.

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Surprised at United States.

Paris, Feb. 26.—The members of the coming sanitary conference express surprise at the attitude of the United States saying that its representatives oppose every measure intended to lighten quarantine regulations and claim to believe that their object is to invoke such relations as will prevent innovation.

Phelps Improving Slowly.

New Haven, Conn., Feb. 26.—Prof. Phelps is this morning reported out of danger and improving slowly.

ONE MORE DAY

Must Intervene Before Action Will Be Taken

ON THE TARIFF BILL IN THE SENATE COMMITTEE.

WAS EXPECTED TODAY

The Report of the Senate Committee Delayed

BY ERRORS IN ITS PRINTING—OTHER WASHINGTON NEWS.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 26.—The Democratic members of the senate finance committee waited to present the tariff bill to the full committee at 10 o'clock this morning as they expected to do.

The committee met promptly at 10 o'clock, but the members present except Senator Harris, Vance and Jones of Nevada, who are absent from the city and Senator Willis, who is indisposed. Senator McPherson was there to take his place.

The committee remained in the finance committee room for a few minutes, when the Democratic members came out and went into the Democratic caucus. It was given out as a reason for the failure to present the bill, that there were some errors in the bill as it had come from the printer, making it necessary to postpone its presentation, and it is understood that some matters have not yet been decided upon by the subcommittee.

The committee was consequently requested to meet again at 10 o'clock tomorrow.

CONSIDERING THEIR COURSE

Democratic Senate Caucus Holds a Long Session This Morning.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 26.—The Democratic senate caucus adjourned at noon, the hour for the senate to convene, without accomplishing anything save an agreement to reconvene at 1 o'clock to day if an adjournment of the senate could be procured. It is understood that the caucus of this forenoon was devoted largely to speech making and to the consideration of the policy of the party with reference to the tariff bill, when it shall be taken up.

The police are investigating the outrage, but up to the present no arrests have been made.

THROWS A PETARD.

An Explosion, a Mad Dash, But no One Hurt.

PARIS, Feb. 26.—During a performance of "Othello" at the Teatro Nuovo yesterday evening a petard was thrown into the auditorium through a window in the rear of the stage. The explosive missile burst with a loud report and created great excitement, but did not injure anybody, and did not damage the theater.

After the explosion the people made a rush for the exits, but the conductor of the orchestra shouted there was no danger and ordered the orchestra to strike up the national anthem and later the Guaridiano hymn.

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THE BOX BOMB IN PARIS.

PARIS, Feb. 26.—While a ledger in the Hotel St. Denis, this city, was being ejected today for non-payment of his rent, a tin box fell from his person and exploded on the pavement. The man was arrested and gave the name of Couchon. When the prisoner was examined at the police depot, the lining of his overcoat was found to have been burned, apparently with a fuse. Couchon, who denied that he was an anarchist, claimed that the bomb was thrown at him, and as the police were unable to prove anything to the contrary, the prisoner was released.

There was also some discussion as to whether the bill should be submitted to the full committee before it had been inspected and passed upon by the senate and it may be inferred from the fact that an adjournment was taken to give an hour this afternoon that the agreement to those favoring submission to the senate provided.

The senate adjourned at 12:30 p.m.

IN THE HOUSE.

Mr. Hatch and His Anti-Option Bill Before the Members.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 26.—When the house entered upon the third week on the struggle over the Blanton sedition bill at noon, there was a good attendance both on the floor and in the galleries.

Immediately after the reading of the journal, Mr. Hatch (Dem., Mass.) chairman of the committee on agriculture, arose and stated that his committee claimed jurisdiction over a bill (the anti-option bill) which had been referred by the speaker to the ways and means committee, and he moved that it be referred to the agricultural committee.

Mr. Warner (Dem., N. Y.) made the point of no quorum, whereupon Mr. Hatch demanded the yeas and nays.

Hatch Anti-Option Bill.

The Hatch anti-option bill has been taken from the ways and means committee and referred to the agricultural committee. This insures its early favorable report.

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SCENE OF EXCITEMENT

On the East Side of the City Today—An Arrest.

This noon Constable A. S. Coyne went over to the Missouri Pacific depot with a warrant for the arrest of Jerry Merritt, a colored boy about 18 years old, on the complaint of John Vaughn, charged with drawing a knife on Vaughn and striking him. When Merritt saw the constable he started to run but Constable Coyne got after him and fired his revolver in the air. This frightened Merritt and he fell in the mud and rolled over. He got up and finding he wasn't shot, he started on the run again, but Coyne soon overtook him. When the constable caught him by the throat